

October Job Postings 2020-2021 Comparison



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Job Demand

Job postings increased 30 percent from October 2020 to October 2021. In October 2021, there were 67,700 online job postings compared to 52,000 in October 2020. Postings have also increased over last month; from 57,330 in September 2021 to 67,700 in October 2021. Unemployment rates decreased, when compared with last year and last month. The October 2021 unemployment rate in Missouri was 3.7 percent compared to 3.8 percent in September 2021 and 5.0 percent in October 2020.

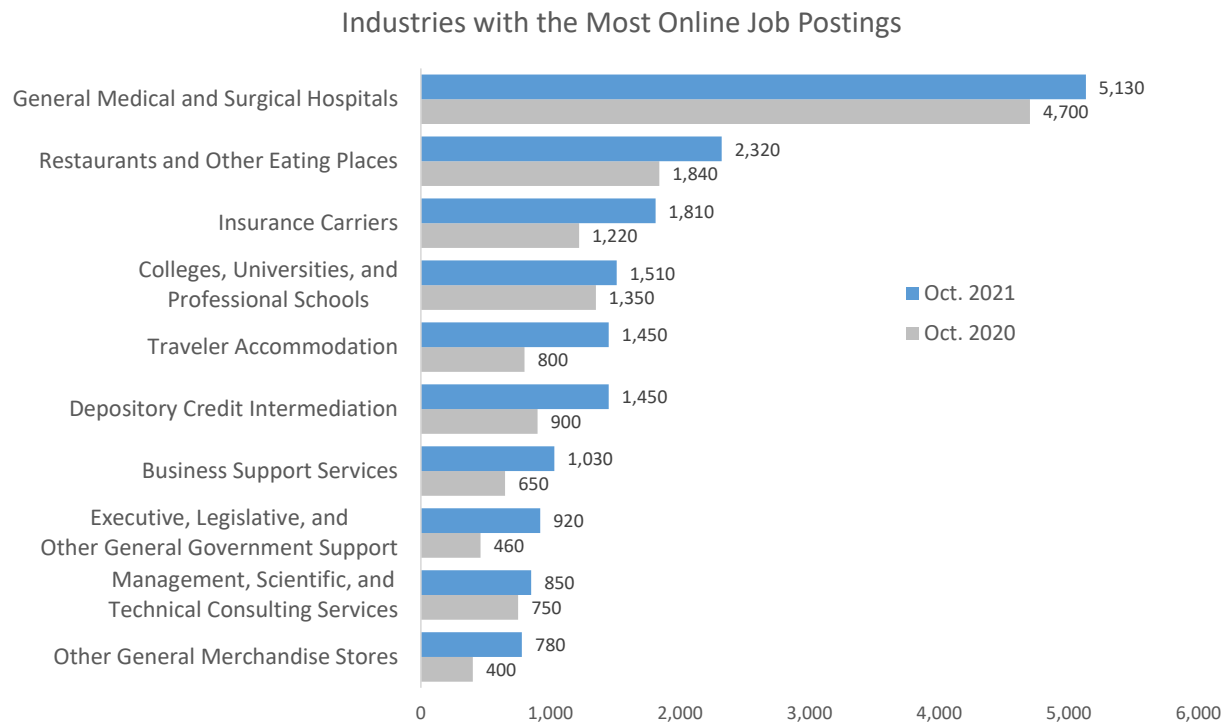
Top Occupations

The following chart shows the top 10 occupations with the most job postings in October 2021 compared to the number of job postings in October 2020. All occupations showed an increase in postings, with postings for *Software Developers and Software Quality Assurance Analysts & Testers* doubling over the year.



Top Industries

The following chart shows the industries with the most job postings in October 2021 compared to October 2020. All industries showed an increase in postings from October 2020, with postings for *Executive, Legislative, & Other General Government Support* doubling over the year, and *Other General Merchandise Stores* nearly doubling.



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